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I am especially pleased that so many of our community members and businesses have contributed their time and funds to this project. This commitment to our children by the community is vital. I know that the benefits of bringing such a center to our children will prove to be immeasurable.

I invite all of my colleagues to come and bring their families to visit Detroit's newest star, The New Detroit Science Center.

TRIBUTE MR. ELIO RODONI

**HON. MICHAEL M. HONDA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 11, 2001*

Mr. HONDA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Mr. Elio Rodoni, who has been named Santa Cruz County Farm Bureau's 2001 Farmer of the Year.

Mr. Rodoni, is the son of Andreina and the late Dante Rodoni, and the younger brother of Mario Rodoni. Mr. Rodoni's sister Jeanne passed away two years ago. Mr. Elio Rodoni celebrates this great honor with his many friends, colleagues, and family. Mr. Rodoni and his wife Joy have three children, Catherine, Stephen, and Robert. Both of Mr. Rodoni's sons farm in the Watsonville and Moss Landing areas.

Mr. Speaker, it is a pleasure to honor Mr. Rodoni, who has been a member of the Farm Bureau for over 35 years. Mr. Rodoni grew up on a Brussel sprout farm on the coast just north of Santa Cruz, in the 15th Congressional District. He always helped on the farm, and knew early on that he wanted to be a farmer. The skills that Mr. Rodoni developed as a child, combined with the knowledge he gained from his involvement with Future Farmers of America while he was a student at Santa Cruz High School, led the way to Mr. Rodoni's successful career as a farmer. Mr. Rodoni, who began working fulltime as a farmer immediately after graduating from high school, purchased an interest in a Brussel sprout farm in 1960. He later ran this farm with the help of his partners, brother Mario and his late sister's husband Mac Morelli.

Mr. Rodoni has served as a dedicated and innovative member of the Santa Cruz County Community, and the entire farming community. As a member of the Future Farmers of America, he helped with displays at county fairs, served as a delegate to the California State Convention, and was chapter president during his senior year at Santa Cruz High School. For most of his life, Mr. Rodoni has dedicated his time and energy to his farms. He was one of the first farmers to utilize mechanical harvesting, and has always understood the importance of diversity in his crops. He is a hard-working farmer, and knowledgeable businessman.

Mr. Speaker, it is an honor to pay tribute to the Mr. Elio Rodoni for his contributions to the farming community and the 15th Congressional District. I commend and congratulate him on this important occasion.

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

**HON. ADAM H. PUTNAM**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 11, 2001*

Mr. PUTNAM. Mr. Speaker, I was absent the week of June 25, 2001, attending to my wife Melissa during the birth of our first child, Abigail Anna Putnam. Had I been present this is how I would have voted on the following roll call votes.

June 25, 2001:

On Roll Call 186—I would have voted Yea in support of H. Res. 160 calling on the Government of the People's Republic of China to immediately and unconditionally release Li Shaomin and all other American scholars of Chinese ancestry being held in detention, and calling on the President of the United States to continue working on behalf of Li Shaomin and the other detained scholars for their release.

On Roll Call 187—I would have voted Yea in support of H. Res. 99 expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that Lebanon, Syria, and Iran should call upon Hezbollah to allow representatives of the International Committee of the Red Cross to visit four abducted Israelis, Adi Avitan, Binyamin Avraham, Omar Souad, and Elchanan Tannenbaum, presently held by Hezbollah forces in Lebanon.

On Roll Call 188—I would have voted Yea in support of H. Con. Res. 161 honoring the 19 United States servicemen who died in the terrorist bombing of the Khobar Towers in Saudi Arabia on June 25, 1996.

June 26, 2001:

On Roll Call 189—I would have voted Yea on Approving the Journal.

On Roll Call 190—I would have voted Yea on the motion to consider H. Res. 178.

On Roll Call 191—I would have voted Yea on agreeing to H. Res. 178 providing for the consideration of H.R. 2299, Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 2002.

On Roll Call 192—I would have voted Yea on agreeing to H. Res. 166 recognizing disaster relief Assistance Provided to Houston, TX after Tropical Storm Allison.

On Roll Call 193—I would have voted Yea on the Sabo amendment to H.R. 2299.

On Roll Call 194—I would have voted Yea in support of H.R. 2299, the Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for FY 2002.

On Roll Call 195—I would have voted Yea on agreeing to the approval of the Journal.

On Roll Call 196—I would have voted Yea on agreeing to H. Res. 180, providing for consideration of H.R. 2311; Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act for FY 2002.

On Roll Call 197—I would have voted Yea on H. Res. 172 honoring John J. Downing, Brian Fahey, and Harry Ford, who lost their lives in the course of duty as firefighters.

On Roll Call 198—I would have voted Yea on H.R. 2213 to establish a commission for the purpose of encouraging and providing for the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision in Brown v. Board of Education.

June 28, 2001:

On Roll Call 199—I would have voted Nay on the Tancredo amendment to H.R. 2311.

On Roll Call 200—I would have voted Nay on the Tancredo amendment to H.R. 2311.

On Roll Call 201—I would have voted Nay on the Hinchey amendment to H.R. 2311.

On Roll Call 202—I would have voted Nay on the Kucinich amendment to H.R. 2311.

On Roll Call 203—I would have voted Nay on the Bonior amendment to H.R. 2311.

On Roll Call 204—I would have voted Nay on the Berkley amendment to H.R. 2311.

On Roll Call 205—I would have voted Yea on the Davis amendment to H.R. 2311.

On Roll Call 206—I would have voted Yea on final passage of H.R. 2311, the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act for FY 2002.

On Roll Call 207—I would have voted Yea on H. Res. 183, providing for consideration of H.R. 2330; Agriculture Appropriations Act for F.Y. 2002.

On Roll Call 208—I would have voted Yea on the Brown of Ohio amendment to H.R. 2330.

On Roll Call 209—I would have voted Yea on the Brown of Ohio amendment to H.R. 2330.

On Roll Call 210—I would have voted Yea on the Engel amendment to H.R. 2330.

### HONORING WAYNE SCOTT ON HIS RETIREMENT AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

**HON. JIM TURNER**

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 11, 2001*

Mr. TURNER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute and to express the thanks of Texans to our friend Wayne Scott on the occasion of his retirement as Executive Director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. His leadership of the fastest growing agency in the State of Texas during years of difficult transitions have earned him the respect and admiration of all Texans.

Wayne began his professional journey in 1972 as a correctional officer at the Huntsville unit of the Texas Department of Corrections. While working there, Wayne Scott received his Bachelor of Business Administration from Sam Houston State University in 1973. Making his way into the system, he became warden of the facility in 1984. In the following years, Wayne served as regional director, deputy director for operations, and institutional division director. In 1996, Wayne Scott was promoted to Executive Director of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, the largest agency in the state of Texas. It can be said that Wayne began at the bottom of the ladder and climbed to the top through a firm commitment to hard work, a willingness to make the tough decisions, and a constant pursuit of the highest ethical standards for both himself and the department.

With the responsibility of more than 40,000 employees and more than 150,000 felony offenders, Wayne Scott has been recognized by his fellow criminal justice professionals in the American Correctional Association, the Southern States Correctional Association, and the